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Scandinavia; (1a) *L. muta vulgaris*, the Alps of Southern Europe, the Pyrenees, and probably Scotland; (2) *L. ridgwayi*, Commander Islands; (3) *L. hyperborea*, Spitzbergen; (4) *L. islandorum*, Iceland; (5) *L. rupestris*, Arctic America and the Siberian tundras; (5a) *L. rupestris reinhardti*, Greenland; (5b) *L. rupestris nelsoni*, Unalashka; (5c) *L. rupestris atkhensis*, Atkha (Alutian Islands); (6) *L. leucura*, Rocky and Cascade Mountains. The synonymy and distinctive characters of each form are briefly given. The paper is here and there marred by typographical errors, for which the author is doubtless not responsible.—J. A. A.

Stejneger on New Species of Birds from Kamtschatka and the Commander Islands.*—These are: (1) *Pica camtschatica*, (2) *Corvus grebnitzskii*, (3) *Alauda blakistoni*, (4) *Dendrocopos immaculatus*, (5) *Lagopus ridgwayi*—all closely allied to species of Siberia or Japan.

Stejneger on Recent Ornithological Publications in the United States.†—This is a carefully annotated list of all the more important works and papers published in the United States between January 1, 1883, and May 1, 1884, and numbers about 65 titles. The remarks about each are sufficient to indicate the general scope and character of the papers and works mentioned.—J. A. A.

Merriam on a Bird New to the Bermudas, etc.‡—The Song Sparrow (*Melospiza fasciata*) is added to the species of birds previously recorded from these islands, and there are observations on three other species met with there, namely, *Pyrranga rubra*, *Pelionetta perspicillata*, and *Cymochorea leucorrhoa*.—J. A. A.

Shufeldt on the Osteology of *Ceryle alcyon*.§—This is another of Dr. Shufeldt's carefully prepared osteological memoirs, and is devoted, as the title indicates, to the osteology of our common Belted Kingfisher. The osteological characters of the bird are fully detailed, and its structure compared with that of allied forms. The paper is illustrated by an excellent plate, and figures in the text of the skull of *Alcedo ispida*.—J. A. A.

* Diagnoses of New Species of Birds from Kamtschatka and the Commander Islands. By Leonhard Stejneger. Proc. Biolog. Soc. of Washington, II, pp. 97-98. (Separates issued April 10, 1884.)

† Die wichtigsten ornithologischen Publicationen aus den Vereinigten Staaten vom 1. Januar 1883 bis 1. Mai 1884. Von Leonhard Stejneger. Zeitsch. für die gesammte Ornithologie, I, pp. 179-189, 1884.

‡ On a Bird new to the Bermudas, with notes upon several other species of rare or accidental occurrence in these Islands. By Clinton Hart Merriam, M.D. Bull. No. 25, U. S. National Museum, pp. 283, 284, 1884.

§ Osteology of *Ceryle alcyon*. By R. W. Shufeldt, Captain Med. Corps, U. S. Army [etc.]. Journ. of Anat. and Physiol., XVIII, pp. 279-294, pl. xiv.